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HOUSE RESOLUTION No. ____

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A RESOLUTION honoring Representative Mike Murphy on the occasion of his retirement from the House of Representatives.

Whereas, Representative Mike Murphy, who was first elected to represent the citizens of House District 90 in 1994, will be leaving the House chamber for the last time at the end of the 2010 legislative session;

Whereas, Throughout his time in the House of Representatives, Representative Murphy has been known for advocating 2nd and 10th Amendment rights, for fighting to reduce the role of government in our lives, and for standing up for the human dignity of immigrants;

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Whereas, Representative Murphy currently serves as the Ranking Minority Member of the House Small Business and Economic Development Committee and is a member of the Veterans Affairs and Public Safety Committee and the Insurance Committee and a former member of the Ways and Means, Public Policy, Rules, Labor, Education, Agriculture, and Families and Children Committees;

Whereas, In the 2010 legislative session Representative Murphy co-authored HB 1001, ethics reform legislation, with Speaker Bauer, co-authored HB 1065 allowing an employee to keep a firearm in a vehicle as long as it is locked, and introduced his own firearms bill, HB 1219, which states that firearms information including names and addresses of individuals who have a license to carry a gun is not open to public inspection;

Whereas, In 2009, Murphy co-sponsored SB 236 increasing the penalties for feticide and providing additional sentencing for individuals who attempted or committed murder also causing the termination of a pregnancy;

Whereas, In 2008, he authored HB 1140 specifying requirements relating to coverage and reimbursement for medically necessary prosthetic devices;

Whereas, In 2007, Representative Murphy co-authored HB 1428 requiring Autism and Asperger's training for school personnel;

Whereas, In 2006, he authored HB 1279 which became the most sweeping telecommunications deregulation in the nation that year, leading to more than \$1.5 billion in new investment, 2,500 new jobs, and 4,000 to 6,000 jobs saved in Indiana in the last three years alone; Representative Murphy stood nearly alone to defeat HB 1383, an anti-immigrant bill, for which he was nominated for the John F. Kennedy Profile in Courage Award;

Whereas, In 2005, Murphy authored HB 1137 establishing the Office of Technology;



Whereas, In 2003, he authored HB 1423 establishing the prison investment tax credit;

Whereas, In 2002 and 2003, Representative Murphy authored HJR 2 and HJR 8 amending Article 5, Section 10 of the Constitution of the State of Indiana to establish a succession order for the Governor, and voters ratified the amendment in November, 2004; Representative Murphy also authored language that established the Center for Coal Technology Research at Purdue University;

Whereas, In 1997, he authored language that eliminated the state inheritance tax for half of all Hoosier estates;

Whereas, In 1996, Murphy authored HB 1106 which increased penalties for leaving the scene of an accident that causes death;

Whereas, Representative Murphy accomplished most of these victories while serving in the minority, reaching across the aisle to solve problems for all Hoosiers;

Whereas, In addition to his involvement with the Indiana House of Representatives, Representative Murphy is famous for his annual St. Patrick's Day Benefit for the Homeless;

Whereas, Before becoming a member of the Indiana House of Representatives, Representative Murphy was an award-winning television journalist and a member of the executive team for Lieutenant Governor John Mutz; and

Whereas, Representative Mike Murphy has served his constituency loyally and faithfully since his election to the Indiana General Assembly: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

- 1 SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives wishes to
- 2 bid a fond farewell to Representative Mike Murphy. The House of
- 3 Representatives has seen only good things during his tenure.
- 4 Legislators and staff alike will miss him greatly. His departure will
- 5 leave a void that will never be truly filled.



1 SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of
2 Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to Representative
3 Mike Murphy and his family.

